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Attorney General John Ashcroft
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Dear Attorney General Ashcroft,

As a concerned businessman, I am writing to express my opinion towards the recent Microsoft settlement. I have supported this settlement in the past, and it concerns me to see that its execution is being further delayed.

As I have followed the progress of this settlement, it seems that all parties involve benefit from its terms. Because Microsoft has agreed to disclose information about certain internal interfaces in Windows, and to design future versions of Windows for easier installation of non-Microsoft software, this settlement ensures that the technology industry – including other software companies – can move forward.

During this time of recession, we cannot afford any delays in economic advancement. At the same time, we cannot allow our scarce resources to be spent on delaying a case that has already been settled. It is time to let things move forward and let the years of extensive negotiations speak for themselves.

This country's technology industry has been delayed long enough and is ready to advance as a team. I strongly urge that we do not allow for any more delays.

Sincerely,

Michael Levy
Vice President